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SUBJECT: UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REACTION TO CONGRESSIONAL

REPORT

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- 1. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DE BEUS INVITED MISSION OFFICER TO HIS OFFICE JUNE 28 TO DISCUSS "REPORT ON THE 27TH SESSION OF THE UN COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS TO THE SELECTCOMMITTEE ON NARCOTICS" (COPIES OF WHICH MISSION REQUESTED REFTEL).
- 2. DE BEUS WAS DEEPLY EXERCISED BY WHAT HE CONSIDERED TO BE FACTUAL INACCURACIES IN THE REPORT, PARTICULARLY IN ITS LISTING OF THREE FAILURES OF THE LEADERSHIP IN UNFDAC ENNUMERATED AT TOP OF P. 7. HE STATED HIS INTENTION OF WRITING MR. WOLFF, CHAIRMAN OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON NARCOTICS AND ADDRESSEE OF THE REPORT, TO ESTABLISH A FACTUAL RECORD OF EFFORTS AND ACHIEVEMENT OF THE UNFDAC CONFIDENTIAL

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WITH RESPECT TO EACH OF THE ITEMS NAMED. HE ALSO INTENDED TO REQUEST THAT HIS LETTER BE PUBLISHED AS AN ADDENDUM TO THE REPORT. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, MR. DE BEUS AGREED THAT HIS COMMENTS WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IF OFFERED IN THE FORM OF ASSISTING TO CLARIFY ISSUES RAISED INSTEAD OF IN FORM OF A REBUTTAL.

3. MR. DE BEUS STATED THAT, AT PRESENT, HE WOULD PREFER TO HANDLE THIS MATTER SEPARATELY FROM THE QUESTION OF THE INVITATION TO APPEAR BEFORE THE SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTED SEPTELS.

4. COMMENT: MISSION BELIEVES UNFDAC CAN COMPILE IMPRESSIVE LIST OF EFFORTS IN AREAS CITED, THE FRUITS OF WHICH ARE FINALLY BEGINNING TO APPEAR. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO ENSURE THAT UNFDAC COMMUNICATION TO WOLFF IS HANDLED IN MANNER DESIGNED TO GENERATE LIGHT, NOT HEAT. END COMMENT. SORENSON

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